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SUBJ: EXCHANGES: VISIT OF POET WHITTEMORE

REF: STATE 030628

1. DISCUSSED WHITTEMORE VISIT WITH WRITERS' UNION LATE FEB 15, AFTER RECEIPT REFTEL, WHICH WAS DELAYED BY OVERNIGHT POWER OUTAGE.

2. WRITERS' UNION OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH PROGRAMMING CANNOT GIVE AUTHORITATIVE CLEARANCE TO FOREIGN VISIT, AND EMBOFF SCHEDULED TO MEET THAT OFFICIAL, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN V.F. SHESKIN, AT NOON MONDAY, FEB 18, MOSCOW TIME. ADDITIONAL MINCULT, MFA ACTIONS WILL BE REQUIRED AFTER WRITERS' UNION REPLY. BELIEVE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE WHITTEMORE DEPART 19TH AS SUGGESTED REFTEL. ALTERNATIVES NOW ARE; (A) CONTINUE WITH SOMEWHAT DELAYED LATE FEB-EARLY MARCH VISIT, AND (B) SHIFT TO APRIL. EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT (A) FIRST AND WORK FOR (B) IF (A) IS

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NOT POSSIBLE.

3. SUGGEST DEPT ADVISE WHITTEMORE THAT DEPARTURE 19TH APPEARS IMPOSSIBLE AND THAT WE WILL HAVE MORE DETAILED INFORMATION MONDAY. WILL CABLE IMMEDIATE EARLY HOURS MONDAY WASHINGTON TIME. IN VIEW OF HOLIDAY WEEKEND, SUGGEST LIAISON WITH WHITTEMORE LEAVE HIS TELEPHONE NUMBER WITH OPERATIONS CENTER.

4. IF POSSIBLE, LET US KNOW BEFORE FEB 18 MEETING HOW LATE INTO MARCH WHITTERMORE WOULD BE AVAILABLE.
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